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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel all allowed claims (1-31) and add the following claims addressing subject matter in application serial number 10/047617:

- A gel material comprising at least one thermally conductive filler, at least one rubber 32. compound crosslinked to at least one amine resin.
- 33. The gel material of claim 33, wherein the material is a thermal interface material.
- The gel material of claim 32, further comprising at least one phase change material. 34.
- The gel material of claim 32, wherein the at least one rubber compound is crosslinked to 35. the at least one amine resin by at least one terminal hydroxy group on the rubber compound.